

REMARKS

This communication is in response to the final office action mailed on May 3, 2010.

Claim 60 has been allowed, and claims 53-55 were deemed by the Examiner to recite allowable subject matter if rewritten in independent form, which is noted with appreciation.

With this response, claims 37, 39-47, 50, and 53 have been cancelled. Claims 51 and 54, the Specification, and the Drawings have been amended to comply with requirements set forth by the Examiner in the final office action.

Pending claims 51, 54-55, and 60 recite allowed subject matter and are believed to be in condition for allowance.

Specification

The Examiner objected to the Specification as lacking antecedent basis for recitation of the “outer rim” in claims 37 and 50.

With this response, claims 37 and 50 have been cancelled, and the Specification has been amended as required by the Examiner at page 4 of the final office action to identify the outer rim of the adhesive wafer.

Thus, it is respectfully requested that the objection to the Specification be withdrawn.

Drawings

The Examiner objected to the Drawings.

With this response, a Replacement Sheet is submitted to amend Figure 4 to identify the outer rim of the adhesive wafer as required by the Examiner at page 4 of the final office action.

Thus, it is respectfully requested that the objection to the Drawings be withdrawn.

Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112

Claims 37, 39-47, 50, and 60 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112.

The Examiner states at pages 4-5 of the final office action that a statement by the applicant that “rim” and “perimeter” are intended to be equivalent and thus both supported by the disclosure will overcome the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112.

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With this response, it is confirmed that "rim" and "perimeter" are intended to be equivalent and thus both are supported by the disclosure.

Claims 40 and 41 have been cancelled.

Thus, the rejections to claims 37, 39-47, 50, and 60 under 35 U.S.C. § 112 have been overcome.

Allowable Subject matter

Claims 53-55 were deemed to recite allowable subject matter.

With this response, independent claim 51 has been amended to recite the allowable subject matter of claim 53. Claim 53 has been cancelled. Thus, claims 51 and 54-55 are in condition for allowance.

Claim 60 was allowed, which is noted with appreciation.

CONCLUSION

Claims 51, 54-55, and 60 are in condition for allowance; a Notice of Allowance for these claims is respectfully requested.

No fees are believed to be due with this response. However, the office is authorized to charge any fees actually due and credit any overpayment to deposit account 50-4439.

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Respectfully submitted,
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